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Devices, Systems, and Methods for Reducing Levels of Pro-Inflammatory or Anti-

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## AMENDMENT, PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO MAINTAIN PARENT CASE WHICH IS TO BE ABANDONED WHEN FILING NEW APPLICATION CLAIMING ITS BENEFIT

NOTE: Where an extension of time is sought solely for the purpose of filing a continuation application under 35 USC 120 and where the prior application is to be abandoned in favor of the continuing application, the filing of a response as required by 37 CFR 1.111 or 1.113 is considered to be an unnecessary expenditure of resources by the applicant and, in these situations, the PTO will accept the filing of a continuing application as a response under 37 CFR 1.136. Notice of May 13, 1983 (1031 OG 11).

NOTE: The PTO finds it useful if a copy of the petition filed in the prior application extending the term for response is filed with the papers constituting the filing of the continuation application. Notice of November 5, 1985 (1060 O.G. 27).

1. The amendment in this case is a bona fide attempt by applicant to respond and to advance this application to final action and comprises a separately filed:

(check (a), (b) or (c) as applicable)

(a) [x] Continuation application

(b) [ ] Continuation-in-part application

(c) [ ] Divisional application (WHERE PARENT CASE IS TO BE ABANDONED)

A copy of this amendment and petition is being filed with the papers constituting the filing of the separately filed application.

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## **CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.10**

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(Amendment, Petition and Fee for Extension of Time to Maintain Parent Case Which is to be Abandoned When Filing New Application Claiming its Benefit [4-5])

2. *	This is a petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time to respond to								
	(check and complete (d) or (e) as applicable)								
	(d) (e)	[x]	the Office Act	tion mailed _	4 May 20	004 (Final Rejection)	_		
3.	of a fil	lease abandon this application conditioned upon the granting of the petition and the granting f a filing date to the continuing application so as to make the continuing application copending eith this application. (NOTICE OF MAY 13, 1983, 1031 O.G. 11-12).							
4.	Applicant is								
	[x] a small entity [ ] other than a small entity								
5.	Extension requested								
	The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply.								
		(complete (a) or (b) as applicable)							
	(a)	) [x] Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) (fees: 37 CFR 1.17(a)-(d)) for the total number of months checked below:							
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	If an additional extension of time is required please consider this a petition therefor.								
	(check and complete the next item, if applicable)								
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OR									

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6.	Fee payment							
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